

CLASSICAL YANG- BAXTER EQUATION AND LOW DIMENSIONAL TRIANGULAR LIE BIALGEBRAS OVER ARBITRARY FIELD *

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Abstract

Let L be a Lie algebra over arbitrary field k with $\dim L = 3$ and $\dim L' = 2$. All solutions of constant classical Yang- Baxter equation (CYBE) in Lie algebra L are obtained and the necessary conditions which $(L, [\cdot, \cdot], \Delta_r, r)$ is a coboundary (or triangular) Lie bialgebra are given.

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1 Introduction

The concept and structures of Lie coalgebras were introduced and studied by W. Michaelis in [6, 7]. V.G.Drinfel'd and A. A. Belavin in [1, 2] introduced the notion of triangular, coboundary L associated to a solution $r \in L \otimes L$ of the CYBE and gave a classification of solutions of CYBE with parameter for simple Lie algebras. W.Michaelis in [5] obtained the structure of a triangular, coboundary Lie bialgebra on any Lie algebra containing linearly independent elements a and b satisfying $[a, b] = \alpha b$ for some non-zero $\alpha \in k$ by setting $r = a \otimes b - b \otimes a$.

The Yang-Baxter equation first came up in a paper by Yang as factorization condition of the scattering S-matrix in the many-body problem in one dimension and in work of Baxter on exactly solvable models in statistical mechanics. It has been playing an important role in mathematics and physics (see [1, 9]). Attempts to find solutions The Yang- Baxter

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equation in a systematic way have let to the theory of quantum groups. The Yang-Baxter equation is of many forms. The classical Yang- Baxter equation is one.

In many applications one need to know the solutions of classical Yang- Baxter equation and know if a Lie algebra is a coboundary Lie bialgebra or a triangular Lie bialgebras. A systematic study of low dimensional Lie algebras, specially, of those Lie algebras that play a role in physics(as e.g. $\mathfrak{sl}(2, \mathbb{C})$, or the Heisenberg algebra), is very useful. The author [10, 11] obtained all solutions of constant classical Yang- Baxter equation (CYBE) in Lie algebra L and give the sufficient and necessary conditions which $(L, [\cdot, \cdot], \Delta_r, r)$ is a coboundary (or triangular) Lie bialgebra with $\dim L \leq 3$ except the below case : L is a Lie algebra over arbitrary field k with $\dim L = 3$ and $\dim L' = 2$. We shall resolve the problem in this paper.

All of the notations in this paper are the same as in [10].

If k is not algebraically closed, let P be algebraic closure of k . we can construct a Lie algebra $L_P = P \otimes L$ over P , as in [3, Section 8].

By [3, P11–14], we have that

Lemma 1.1 *Let L be a vector space over k . Then L is a Lie algebra over field k with $\dim L = 3$ and $\dim L' = 2$ iff there is a basis e_1, e_2, e_3 in L such that $[e_1, e_2] = 0$, $[e_1, e_3] = \alpha e_1 + \beta e_2$, $[e_2, e_3] = \gamma e_1 + \delta e_2$, where $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta \in k$, and $\alpha\delta - \beta\gamma \neq 0$.*

In this paper, we only study the Lie algebra L in Lemma 1.1. Set $A = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \gamma \\ \beta & \delta \end{pmatrix}$. Thus A is similar to $\begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix}$ or $\begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 1 & \lambda_1 \end{pmatrix}$ in the algebraic closure P of k . Therefore, there is an invertible matrix D over P such that $AD = D \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix}$, or $AD = D \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 1 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix}$. Let $Q = \begin{pmatrix} D & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\lambda_1} \end{pmatrix}$ and $(e'_1, e'_2, e'_3) = (e_1, e_2, e_3)Q$. By computation, we have that $[e'_1, e'_2] = 0$, $[e'_1, e'_3] = e'_1 + \beta' e'_2$, $[e'_2, e'_3] = \delta' e'_2$, where $\beta' = 0$ and $\delta' = \frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_2}$ when A is similar to $\begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix}$; $\beta' = \frac{1}{\lambda_1}$ and $\delta' = 1$ when A is similar to $\begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 1 & \lambda_1 \end{pmatrix}$. Let $Q = (q_{ij})_{3 \times 3}$ and $Q^{-1} = (\bar{q}_{ij})_{3 \times 3}$. If $r = \sum_{i,j=1}^3 k_{ij}(e_i \otimes e_j) = \sum_{i,j=1}^3 k'_{ij}(e'_i \otimes e'_j)$, where $k_{ij} \in k$, $k'_{ij} \in P$ for $i, j = 1, 2, 3$, then

$$k'_{ij} = \sum_{m,n} k_{mn} \bar{q}_{im} \bar{q}_{jn} \text{ and } k_{ij} = \sum_{m,n} k'_{mn} q_{im} q_{jn}$$

for $i, j = 1, 2, 3$. Obviously, $k_{33} = k'_{33}$.

Lemma 1.2 (i) $k_{i3} = k_{3i}$, for $i = 1, 2, 3$ iff $k'_{i3} = k'_{3i}$ for $i = 1, 2, 3$;

- (ii) $k_{i3} = -k_{3i}$ for $i = 1, 2, 3$ iff $k'_{i3} = -k'_{3i}$ for $i = 1, 2, 3$;
 (iii) $k_{ij} = k_{ji}$ for $i, j = 1, 2, 3$ iff $k'_{ij} = k'_{ji}$ for $i, j = 1, 2, 3$;
 (iv) $k_{ij} = -k_{ji}$ for $i, j = 1, 2, 3$ iff $k'_{ij} = -k'_{ji}$ for $i, j = 1, 2, 3$.

Proof (i) If $k'_{i3} = k'_{3i}$ for $i = 1, 2, 3$, we see that

$$\begin{aligned}
 k_{i3} &= \sum_{m,n}^3 k'_{mn} q_{im} q_{3n} \\
 &= \sum_m^3 k'_{m3} q_{im} q_{33} \quad (\text{since } q_{31} = q_{32} = 0) \\
 &= \sum_m^3 k'_{3m} q_{im} q_{33} \quad (\text{by assumption}) \\
 &= \sum_m^3 k'_{3m} q_{33} q_{im} \\
 &= \sum_{m,n}^3 k'_{mn} q_{3n} q_{im} \\
 &= k_{3i}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $k_{i3} = k_{3i}$ for $i = 1, 2, 3$. The others can be proved similarly. \square

2 The solutions of CYBE with char $k \neq 2$

In this section, we find the general solution of CYBE for Lie algebra L with $\dim L = 3$ and $\dim L' = 2$, where $\text{char } k \neq 2$.

Theorem 2.1 *Let L be a Lie algebra with a basis e_1, e_2, e_3 such that $[e_1, e_2] = 0$, $[e_1, e_3] = \alpha e_1 + \beta e_2$, $[e_2, e_3] = \gamma e_1 + \delta e_2$, where $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta \in k$, and $\alpha\delta - \beta\gamma \neq 0$. Let $p, q, s, t, u, v, x, y, z \in k$. Then r is a solution of CYBE iff r is strongly symmetric, or $r = p(e_1 \otimes e_2) + q(e_2 \otimes e_1) + s(e_1 \otimes e_3) - s(e_3 \otimes e_1) + u(e_2 \otimes e_3) - u(e_3 \otimes e_2) + x(e_1 \otimes e_1) + y(e_2 \otimes e_2)$ with $s(2\alpha x + \gamma(p + q)) = u(2\delta y + \beta(q + p)) = u(2\alpha x + \gamma(q + p)) = s(2\delta y + \beta(q + p)) = (\alpha - \delta)us + \gamma u^2 - \beta s^2 = s(2\gamma y + 2\beta x + (\alpha + \delta)(q + p)) = u(2\gamma y + 2\beta x + (\alpha + \delta)(p + q)) = 0$.*

Proof Let $r = \sum_{i,j=1}^3 k_{ij}(e_i \otimes e_j) \in L \otimes L$, and $k_{ij} \in k$, with $i, j = 1, 2, 3$. By computation, for all $i, j, n = 1, 2, 3$, we have that the coefficient of $e_j \otimes e_i \otimes e_i$ in $[r^{12}, r^{23}]$ is zero and the coefficient of $e_i \otimes e_i \otimes e_j$ in $[r^{13}, r^{23}]$ is zero.

We can obtain the following equations by seeing the coefficient of $e_i \otimes e_j \otimes e_n$ in $[r^{12}, r^{13}] + [r^{12}, r^{23}] + [r^{13}, r^{23}]$, as in [10, Proposition 2.6]. To simplify notation, let $k_{11} = x, k_{22} = y, k_{33} = z, k_{12} = p, k_{21} = q, k_{13} = s, k_{31} = t, k_{23} = u, k_{32} = v$.

- (1) $-\alpha sx + \alpha xt - \gamma sq + \gamma pt = 0$;
- (2) $-\beta up + \beta qv - \delta uy + \delta yv = 0$;

- (3) $-\alpha vs + \alpha pz - \gamma uv + \gamma yz - \beta s^2 + \beta xz - \delta su + \delta zp = 0;$
- (4) $-\beta xz + \beta st - \delta zq + \delta ut - \alpha ut + \alpha qz - \gamma uv + \gamma yz = 0;$
- (5) $-\alpha zp + \alpha tv - \gamma zy + \gamma uv - \beta zx + \beta ts - \delta zp + \delta vs = 0;$
- (6) $-\alpha zp + \alpha sv - \gamma zy + \gamma uv - \beta st + \beta xz - \delta sv + \delta zp = 0;$
- (7) $-\beta zx + \beta tt - \delta zq + \delta vt - \alpha zq + \alpha tu - \gamma zy + \gamma uv = 0;$
- (8) $-\beta st + \beta xz - \delta tu + \delta qz - \alpha us + \alpha qz - \gamma uu + \gamma yz = 0;$
- (9) $-\alpha tp + \alpha xv - \gamma ty + \gamma qv - \alpha sp + \alpha vx - \gamma sy + \gamma pv = 0;$
- (10) $-\alpha ux + \alpha qt - \gamma uq + \gamma yt - \alpha ux + \alpha qs - \gamma up + \gamma ys = 0;$
- (11) $-\alpha st + \alpha xz - \gamma tu + \gamma qz - \alpha s^2 + \alpha xz - \gamma su + \gamma pz = 0;$
- (12) $-\alpha xz + \alpha tt - \gamma zq + \gamma vt - \alpha xz + \alpha st - \gamma zp + \gamma vs = 0;$
- (13) $-\beta vx + \beta pt - \delta vq + \delta yt - \beta ux + \beta qt - \delta uq + \delta yt = 0;$
- (14) $-\beta sp - \beta xv - \delta sy + \delta pv - \beta sq + \beta xu - \delta sy + \delta pu = 0;$
- (15) $-\beta vs + \beta pz - \delta vu + \delta yz - \beta su + \beta zq - \delta u^2 + \delta yz = 0;$
- (16) $-\beta zp + \beta tv - \delta zy + \delta vv - \beta zq + \beta tu - \delta zy + \delta vu = 0;$
- (17) $-\gamma zq + \gamma ut - \gamma sv + \gamma pz = 0;$
- (18) $-\alpha vx + \alpha pt - \gamma vq + \gamma yt - \beta sx + \beta xt - \delta sq + \delta pt - \alpha sq + \alpha xu - \gamma sy + \gamma pu = 0;$
- (19) $-\beta pt + \beta vx - \delta ty + \delta qv - \alpha up + \alpha qv - \gamma uy + \gamma yv - \beta ux + \beta qs - \delta up + \delta ys = 0;$
- (20) $-\beta zp + \beta sv - \delta zy + \delta uv - \beta ut + \beta qz - \delta uv + \delta yz = 0;$
- (21) $-\beta zs + \beta tz - \delta zu + \delta vz = 0;$
- (22) $-\alpha zs + \alpha tz - \gamma zu + \gamma vz = 0;$

It is clear that r is a solution of CYBE iff (1)-(22) hold.

By simple computation, we have the sufficiency. Now we show the necessity, If $k_{33} \neq 0$, then $k'_{33} \neq 0'$ and so r is a strongly symmetric element in $L_P \otimes L_P$ by [10, The proof of Proposition 1.6]. Thus r is a strongly symmetric element in $L \otimes L$. If $k_{33} = 0$, then $k'_{33} = 0$. By [10, Proposition 1.6], we have that $k'_{i3} = -k'_{3i}$ for $i = 1, 2, 3$, which implies that $k_{i3} = -k_{3i}$ for $i = 1, 2, 3$ by Lemma 1.2.

It immediately follows from (1)-(22) that

- (23) $s(-2\alpha x - \gamma(q + p)) = 0;$
- (24) $u(2\delta y + \beta(q + p)) = 0;$
- (25) $\gamma u^2 - \beta s^2 + (\alpha - \delta)us = 0;$
- (26) $u(2\alpha x + \gamma(q + p)) = 0;$
- (27) $s(2\delta y + \beta(q + p)) = 0;$
- (28) $2\alpha ux - 2\gamma ys - 2\beta xs + (-s(\alpha + \delta) + \gamma u)(q + p) = 0;$
- (29) $-2\beta ux + 2\delta ys - 2\gamma uy + (-u(\alpha + \delta) + \beta s)(q + p) = 0;$

By (26), (27), (28) and (29), we have that

- (30) $s(2\gamma y + 2\beta x + (\alpha + \delta)(q + p)) = 0;$
- (31) $u(2\gamma y + 2\beta x + (\alpha + \delta)(p + q)) = 0. \quad \square$

Example 2.2 Let L be a Lie algebra over real field R with $\dim L = 3$ and $\dim L' = 2$. If there is complex characteristic root $\lambda_1 = a + bi$ of A and the root is not real, then $r \in L \otimes L$ is a solution of CYBE iff r is strongly symmetric, or $r = p(e_1 \otimes e_2) + q(e_2 \otimes e_1) + x(e_1 \otimes e_1) + y(e_2 \otimes e_2)$ for any $p, q, x, y \in R$.

Proof. There are two different characteristic roots: $\lambda_1 = a + bi$ and $\lambda_2 = a - bi$, where $a, b \in R$. Thus A must be similar to $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ -b & a \end{pmatrix}$. By Theorem 2.1, we can complete the proof. \square

3 The solutions of CYBE with char $k = 2$

In this section, we find the general solution of CYBE for Lie algebra L with $\dim L = 3$ and $\dim L' = 2$, where $\text{char } k = 2$.

Theorem 3.1 Let L be a Lie algebra with a basis e_1, e_2, e_3 such that $[e_1, e_2] = 0$, $[e_1, e_3] = \alpha e_1 + \beta e_2$, $[e_2, e_3] = \gamma e_1 + \delta e_2$, where $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta \in k$, and $\alpha\delta - \beta\gamma \neq 0$. Let $p, q, s, t, u, v, x, y, z \in k$ and $A = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \gamma \\ \beta & \delta \end{pmatrix}$.

(I) If two characteristic roots of A are equal and A is similar to a diagonal matrix in the algebraic closure P of k , then r is a solution of CYBE in L for any $r \in L \otimes L$;

(II) If the condition in Part (I) does not hold, then r is a solution of CYBE in L iff $r = p(e_1 \otimes e_1) + p(e_2 \otimes e_1) + s(e_1 \otimes e_3) + s(e_3 \otimes e_1) + u(e_2 \otimes e_3) + u(e_3 \otimes e_2) + x(e_1 \otimes e_1) + y(e_2 \otimes e_2) + z(e_3 \otimes e_3)$ with $\alpha us + \alpha pz + \gamma u^2 + \gamma yz + \beta s^2 + \beta xz + \delta su + \delta zp = 0$ and $z \neq 0$; or $r = p(e_1 \otimes e_2) + q(e_2 \otimes e_1) + s(e_1 \otimes e_3) + s(e_3 \otimes e_1) + u(e_2 \otimes e_3) + u(e_3 \otimes e_2) + x(e_1 \otimes e_1) + y(e_2 \otimes e_2)$ with $s\gamma(p + q) = u\beta(p + q) = u\gamma(p + q) = s\beta(p + q) = (\alpha + \delta)us + \gamma u^2 + \beta s^2 = s(\alpha + \delta)(p + q) = u(\alpha + \delta)(p + q) = 0$.

Proof We only show the necessity since the sufficiency can easily be shown. By the proof of Theorem 2.1, there exists an invertible matrix Q such that $(e'_1, e'_2, e'_3) = (e_1, e_2, e_3)Q$ and $[e'_1, e'_2] = 0$, $[e'_1, e'_3] = e'_1 + \beta' e'_2$, $[e'_2, e'_3] = \delta' e'_2$. We use the notations before Lemma 1.2. By [11, Proposition 2.4], $k'_{i3} = k'_{3i}$ for $i = 1, 2, 3$, which implies that $k_{3i} = k_{i3}$ for $i = 1, 2, 3$ by Lemma 1.2.

(I) If A is similar to $\begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_1 \end{pmatrix}$, then $\beta' = 0$ and $\delta' = 1$. By [11, Proposition 2.4], we have Part (I).

(II) Let A be not similar to $\begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_1 \end{pmatrix}$.

(a). If $z \neq 0$, then $k'_{33} \neq 0$. Thus $k'_{12} = k'_{21}$ by [11, Proposition 2.4], which implies $k_{12} = k_{21}$. It is straightforward to check that relation (1)-(22) in the proof of Theorem 2.1 hold iff $\alpha us + \alpha pz + \gamma u^2 + \gamma yz + \beta s^2 + \beta xz + \delta su + \delta zp = 0$.

(b). If $z=0$, then we can obtain that r is the second case in Part (II) by using the method similar to the proof of Theorem 2.1. \square

4 Coboundary Lie bialgebras

In this section, using the general solution, which are obtained in the section above, of CYBE in Lie algebra L with $\dim L=3$ and $\dim L'=2$, we give the sufficient and necessary conditions which $(L, [\cdot, \cdot], \Delta_r, r)$ is a coboundary (or triangular) Lie bialgebra.

Theorem 4.1 *Let L be a Lie algebra with a basis e_1, e_2, e_3 such that $[e_1, e_2]=0$, $[e_1, e_3]=\alpha e_1 + \beta e_2$, $[e_2, e_3]=\gamma e_1 + \delta e_2$, where $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta \in k$, and $\alpha\delta - \beta\gamma \neq 0$. Set $A = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \gamma \\ \beta & \delta \end{pmatrix}$. Let $p, u, s \in k$, $r \in \text{Im}(1 - \tau)$ and $r = p(e_1 \otimes e_2) - p(e_2 \otimes e_1) + s(e_1 \otimes e_3) - s(e_3 \otimes e_1) + u(e_2 \otimes e_3) - u(e_3 \otimes e_2)$. Then*

(I) *$(L, [\cdot, \cdot], \Delta_r, r)$ is a coboundary Lie bialgebra iff*

$$(s, u) \begin{pmatrix} \beta\delta + \alpha\beta & -\beta\gamma - \alpha^2 \\ \delta^2 + \gamma\beta & -\delta\gamma - \gamma\alpha \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} s \\ u \end{pmatrix} = 0;$$

(II) *If two characteristic roots of A are equal and A is similar to a diagonal matrix in the algebraic closure P of k with $\text{char } k=2$, then $(L, [\cdot, \cdot], \Delta_r, r)$ is a triangular Lie bialgebra for any $r \in \text{Im}(1 - \tau)$;*

(III) *If the condition in Part(II) does not hold, then $(L, [\cdot, \cdot], \Delta_r, r)$ is a triangular Lie bialgebra iff $-\beta s^2 + \gamma u^2 + (\alpha - \delta)us = 0$.*

Proof We can complete the proof as in the proof of [10, Theorem 3.3]. \square

Example 4.2 *Under Example 2.2, and $r \in \text{Im}(1 - \tau)$, we have the following :*

(I) *$(L, [\cdot, \cdot], \Delta_r, r)$ is a coboundary Lie bialgebra iff $r = p(e_1 \otimes e_2) - p(e_2 \otimes e_1) + s(e_1 \otimes e_3) - s(e_3 \otimes e_1) + u(e_2 \otimes e_3) - u(e_3 \otimes e_2)$ with $a(s^2 + u^2) = 0$;*

(II) *$(L, [\cdot, \cdot], \Delta_r, r)$ is a triangular Lie bialgebra iff $r = p(e_1 \otimes e_2) - p(e_2 \otimes e_1)$.*

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